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25 V 1	Talked with Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, who talked with Tex Gunnels, Staff Assistant, Subcommittee on Treasury, Post Office and Executive Office, regarding appearance before that Subcommittee, concerning avoidance of questions on various foundations involving CIA in public session.
25X1	Mr. William Darden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called asking whether it would be possible to have a meeting next Tuesday, 21 February, at 10:30. I told Mr. Darden this would be checked by Mr. Warner with the Director's office and he would be advised on Friday morning.
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25X1	Met with Mr. Boyd Crawford, Staff Director of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and suggested that, in view of the current situation, the Director's scheduled meeting with the Committee be cancelled. Mr. Crawford said he appreciated our situation and said he would discuss this with the Chairman. Later in the day, Crawford said he had conferred with Chairman Morgan who felt that cancelling the briefing at this time and under these circumstances would give the impression that the Director was "running away." It was Dr. Morgan's opinion that it might be better if the Director did make his appearance and address the Committee briefly on the subject of the RAMPARTS/NSA matter. I am to check further on this and be in touch with Crawford tomorrow.
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Hastings Keith on the RAMPARTS/NSA matter. Mr. Keith informed me that his daughter, a student, is a member of the NSA and has written to him regarding the current situation. Keith was very much opposed to the Agency's support of NSA and had drafted a letter to his daughter referring to the Agency in rather scathing terms. My meeting lasted approximately one hour during which time I gave him a copy of the State Department statement and the Reston article on the subject. Our conversation was quite extensive covering not only the details of the two items I had presented him, but such matters as the U-2 case, the Michigan State University article, the Agency's authority to perform services of common concern, the effectiveness of the Espionage Act and, ultimately, some focus on RAMPARTS magazine. The Congressman asked me for some specifics on this.

Later in the evening, after having consulted with

I met with Mr. Keith again and informed him of some of the

background leading up to the RAMPARTS articles (with appropriate security admonitions) and then exhibited to the Congressman several issues of RAMPARTS. He was particularly struck by the July 1966 issue depicting various U.S. leaders in "the aviary." Mr. Keith concluded that RAMPARTS was a "scurrilous" Communist-inspired publication. Our second meeting took place while an important meeting of the Massachusetts delegation was in progress on the subject of redistricting and Mr. Keith was compelled to return to the session. I had the definite impression that Mr. Keith had changed his attitude completely on this situation although it was not clear what if anything he intends to do about it. I extended the Congressman an invitation to visit us sometime at his convenience and he showed what appeared to be sincere enthusiasm at the prospect.

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